

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: Jeffrey W. Scott, et al.

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For: DIRECT DIGITAL ACCESS ARRANGEMENT CIRCUITRY  
AND METHOD FOR CONNECTING DSL CIRCUITRY TO  
PHONE LINES

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Dear Sir:

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Please amend the application as follows.

**In the Specification:**

The rewritten clean versions of all the specification changes are provided below. Attached at the end of this paper is an Appendix providing an indication of the changes relative to the prior version of the specification, as now required by Rule 121.

On page 1, please replace the paragraph from lines 7-19 with the following: